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Serial No.: 10/708,422

Confirmation No.: 2421

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For: CONTROL METHOD FOR PROCESS OF  
REMOVING PERMANGANATE REDUCING  
COMPOUNDS FROM METHANOL  
CARBOXYLATION PROCESS STREAM

Group Art Unit: 1621

Examiner: Unknown

Atty. Docket No.: 10437.0074.NPUS01

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The undersigned representative requests any extension of time that may be deemed necessary to further the prosecution of this application.



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Applicants respectfully request that the Office contact the undersigned attorney by telephone to discuss any issues or questions presented by this paper.

Respectfully submitted,

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